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#### SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraphs between lines 3-13 on page 1 of the specification with the following (see Appendix 1 for changes):

# -- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a National Stage Application of International Application No. PCT/FR00/01361, filed May 19, 2000. Further, the present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of French Patent Application No. 99/06601 filed on May 20, 1999.

#### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION